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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MARR UK KS US
SUBJ: UK PARTICIPATION UNC/REAR

REF: 76 STATE 301617 (DTG 110319Z DEC 76)

1. IN DISCUSSIONS HELD PER REFTTEL, UK REPS HAVE BEEN ADVISED
UNC PREPARED CONTINUE PRESENT ARRANGEMENT, WHEREBY UNC PROVIDES
TRANSPORTATION AND ALL LOGISTIC SUPPORT, BUT THAT WE DO
NOT BELEIVE U.S. CAN REIMBURSE PAY AND ALLOWANCES, AS REQUESTED
IN NOVEMBER 16 AIDE MEMOIRE. HAVE NOTED THAT ORIGINAL DISCUSSION
HELD IN WASHINGTON LAST SUMMER (STATE 156182, DTG 232256Z
JUN 76 AND STATE 181983, DTG 230033Z JUL 76) EXCLUDED SUCH COSTS,
DEALING ONLY WITH TRANSPORTATION AND LOGISTIC SUPPORT. WE HAVE
PROPOSED TO GIVE UK LIAISON OFFICER LETTER STATING UNC INTENT
TO CONTINUE THIS ARRANGEMENT, A FORMAT WE HOPE WOULD MEET
BRITISH NEED FOR WRITTEN UNDERSTANDING WITHOUT ENCOUNTERING
PROBLEM OF FORMAL AGREEMENT.

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2. BRITISH HERE INDICATE NO FLEXIBILITY TO NEGOTIATE ON EXTENT
OF REIMBURSEMENT REQUIRED, NOTING THAT FCO HAS NO PROBLEM WITH
STATUS QUO BUT DEFENSE MINISTRY WISHES TO AVOID EVEN MINIMAL
COMMITMENTS EAST OF SUEZ, AND THAT JULY 76 ARRANGEMENT WAS
VIEWED BY THEM AS TEMPORARY ONE. UK EMBASSY INFORMS US THEY
PLAN TO REFER MATTER TO LONDON, SEEKING FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS.
UK EMBASSY ALSO INQUIRED ABOUT OUTCOME OF PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS

WITH AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND, AND CANADA.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY COMMENTS RE U.S. ABILITY TO REIMBURSE
PAY AND ALLOWANCES SHOULD UK BE ADAMANT ON THESE, AS WELL AS
MESS COSTS, WHICH COULD ALSO BECOME AN ISSUE IF UK WISHES
TO ASSIGN ENLISTED PERSONNEL. WILL ADVISE RE FURTHER DEVELOP-
MENTS BUT IN MEANTIME WOULD ALSO FIND HELPFUL ANY INFORMATION
ON SUCH FURTHER DISCUSSIONS AS MAY TAKE PLACE ELSEWHERE.
THIS ENTIRE ISSUE, WHILE LIMITED IN IMPORTANCE, RETAINS SAME
SIGNIFICANCE THAT BROUGHT IT TO OUR ATTENTION LAST SUMMER AND
WE HOPE THAT CURRENTLY SATISFACTORY ARRANGEMENT DOES NOT BREAK
DOWN OVER MINOR SUMS INVOLVED.
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